

ORCHARD, VINEYARD AND MISCELLANEOUS CROP STATISTICS, 1937-38.I. ORCHARDS.

1/ Acreage. 29,874 (29,755) acres, increase 119 acres; Trees of bearing age 25,174 (25,503) acres. Several small orchards in unsuitable country were grubbed out and many old orchards in the Central and Murray Mallee divisions were taken up and replaced with Vines. Plantings of almond trees continue to increase, 30,000 were planted during the season following heavy plantings for the two previous years; these are mostly in County Adelaide and are reported to be making good progress.

2/ Production. Crops generally were much heavier than the previous year. Apples 1,275,486 (841,504) bushels, Apricots 511,452 (357,022) bushels, Oranges 802,255 (654,889) bushels; both Apricots and Oranges are record crops with Apples second only to 1927-28 season when 1,352,264 bushels were recorded.

Details for other fruits are shown in accompanying table.

II. VINEYARDS.

1/ Acreage. 57,414 (56,122) acres, increase 1,292 acres. Vines of bearing age 53,486 (52,679) acres; new plantings throughout the State as follows :- Counties Adelaide 400 acres, Light 500 acres, Stanley 200 acres, and Alfred and Hamley 200 acres.

The acreage was described as follows - For Winemaking 36,309 (35,116) acres, Drying 20,788 (20,694) acres, and Table 317 (312) acres.

2/ Total Grape Yield. 189,614 (148,579) tons, an increase of 41,035 tons and easily the record for the State; the average per acre of bearing age was 3.55 (2.82) tons. For Winemaking 90,964 (80,484) tons, Drying 97,993 (67,513) tons and Table 657 (582) tons.

3/ Wine made. 15,888,878 (15,026,502) gallons, increase 862,376 gallons. Fortified beverage wine Bountyable 5,477,598 (5,960,750), Non Bountyable 141,604 (154,765), Unfortified 1,309,176 (1,318,655), and distillation 8,960,500 (7,592,332) gallons.

III. DRIED FRUITS.

1/ Currants. 187,332 (161,858) cwts, increase 25,474 cwts. The currant crop just exceeded the previous record of 185,173 cwts. in 1934-35.

2/ Raisins. Sultanas 281,657 (189,579) cwts, increase 92,078 cwts, Other Raisins 50,521 (38,052) cwts, increase 12,469 cwts. The sultana crop was greatly in excess of the previous record of 212,514 cwts in 1934-35.

3/ Other Dried Fruits. Apricots 31,641 (20,555) cwts, Plums and Prunes 10,809 (9,266) cwts, Peaches, Pears, Apples, etc. 15,013 (12,248) cwts. The quantities of dried apricots, figs and peaches were records.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS.

Market Gardens. 1,546 (1,499) acres. Green Peas 1,232 (1,040) acres; Pumpkins & Melons 372 (367) acres, 2,398 (2,020) tons; Tomatoes 591 (558) acres, 221,395 (199,728) bushels; Potatoes 4,387 (4,657) acres, 21,615 (20,923) tons; Onions 513 (507) acres, 4,126 (3,694) tons; Other root crops 780 (729) acres. Nurseries 184 (193) acres.

V. OVERSEA EXPORTS.

The value of the total Oversea Exports of the Products of Vineyards and Orchards for the year 1937-38 was £1,998,805 (£1,637,118), increase £361,687, the principal items being Wine £857,291 (£955,033), Dried Fruits £823,024 (£513,344), Apples £190,973 (£85,858). Complete details of Interstate Exports are not available, but annually about £600,000 of wine and brandy are exported to the other States.

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GOVERNMENT STATIST.

## STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

## AREA AND PRODUCTION OF ORCHARDS, VINEYARDS, &amp;C. SEASON 1937-38.

Crop	Unit of Quant.	Season	Season	Season
		1935-36	1936-37	1937-38
A R E A.				
ORCHARDS	acre	29,122	29,755	29,874
VINEYARDS	"	54,219	56,122	57,414
MINOR CROPS --				
Potatoes	"	4,612	4,657	4,387
Onions	"	432	507	513
Total Root Crops	"	5,846	5,893	5,680
Market Gardens	"	1,555	1,499	1,546
Green Peas	"	1,059	1,040	1,232
Pumpkins & Melons	"	322	367	372
Tomatoes	"	622	558	591
Nurseries	"	158	193	184
P R O D U C T I O N.				
ORCHARDS.				
Almonds	cwt.	6,326	9,479	10,602
Walnuts	"	424	595	749
Olives - Berries	"	(1935) 8,053	(1936) 12,723	(1937) 5,543
Olive Oil	gall.	" 13,934	" 22,997	" 11,061
Apples	bush.	939,240	841,504	1,275,486
Apricots	"	381,404	357,022	511,452
Cherries	"	41,891	40,687	46,065
Figs	"	18,867	20,683	27,799
Nectarines	"	22,167	23,649	30,405
Peaches	"	134,586	146,399	176,778
Pears	"	228,223	242,336	279,058
Plums and Prunes	"	157,515	168,017	165,333
Quinces	"	23,996	24,189	23,296
Oranges	"	(1935) 645,291	(1936) 654,889	(1937) 802,255
Lemons	"	" 44,367	" 49,152	" 54,587
Other Citrus	"	" 7,217	" 7,002	" 6,623
Raspberries	cwt.	2,123	2,623	2,976
Strawberries	"	3,907	4,015	3,089
Other Bush & Berry Fruits	"	2,591	3,376	3,122
Other Fruits	bush.	1,896	2,777	4,004
DRIED FRUITS.				
Apples	cwt.	578	554	1,301
Apricots	"	21,183	20,555	31,641
Figs	"	599	611	1,168
Nectarines	"	696	693	947
Peaches	"	4,355	4,906	6,369
Pears	"	3,749	5,484	5,228
Plums	"	252	728	1,146
Prunes	"	9,663	8,538	9,663
VINEYARDS				
Total Grape Yield	ton	132,559	148,579	189,614
Wine-Beverage-Fortified				
Bountyable	gall.	6,521,650	( 5,960,750	5,477,598
Non Bounty.	"		( 154,765	141,604
" -Unfortified	"	1,223,972	1,318,655	1,309,176
Distillation	"	5,277,965	7,592,332	8,960,500
Total	"	13,023,587	15,026,502	15,888,878
Currents	cwt.	117,415	161,858	187,332
Raisins -- Sultana	"	173,967	189,579	281,657
Other	"	36,199	38,052	50,521
MINOR CROPS.				
Potatoes	ton	19,257	20,923	21,615
Onions	"	3,257	3,694	4,126
Tomatoes	bush.	216,525	199,728	221,395

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